

# DOWN THE TUBES

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With the deadline falling on Tuesday and me only having time to do this on the weekends, this issue got out a few days later than I would have liked. In order to prevent this from happening again, I'll be moving my deadlines to the Saturday closest to the end of the month

I was very pleased with the response I received for the Scrabble tournament. Hopefully, as the game progresses, more people will want to become involved, although they will be at a distinct disadvantage. I'm thinking about trying some Rail Baron next.

There are still some spots open in the next game of Dip. Like I said last issue, this game will start as soon as a current game ends. Hard to say when that might be.

DEADLINE FOR ALL GAME IS 1 SEPTEMBER, 1984

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## ENDGAME STATISTICS

AUSTRIA - Don Williams to W'01; Bert Schoose.  
ENGLAND - Brett Kawakami to W'04; Whitt Pond to S'06; Kevin Tighe.  
FRANCE - Ricardo Fernandez.  
GERMANY - Raymond Pryor to F'03; Rob Wittmond.  
ITALY - Jeff Sandelin.  
RUSSIA - Russ Rusnak to S'04; Debi Peters.  
TURKEY - Daphne Langley.  
'ZINE - The Schemer to F'03; Damm the Torpedoes to S'04; Down the Tubes.  
GM - Steven Duke to F'03; Gregg Fritz.

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AUSTRIA -	5*	2	0					
ENGLAND -	4	4	5	5	7	6	7	7
FRANCE -	4	5	5	7	7	8	9	7
GERMANY -	4	4	3	0				
ITALY -	4	5	5	3	4	5	6	7
RUSSIA -	6	9	10	12	9	8	3	3
TURKEY -	4	5	6	7	7	7	9	10

\*plays two short due to NBR in W'01.

An endgame statement from Jeff Sandelin -

The turmoil has ended. After overthrows of the Russian, Austrian, and German governments and two overthrows of the English government, our differences have been settled, and with the best possible results. France's aggressive attitude from day one has been rewarded by exclusion from victory and Turkey's willingness has proven that enemies that were once allies can be allies again. I'm pleased the draw occurred before Turkey had a chance to take Greece and Trieste and force unnecessary decisions on me.

My thanks to Daphne and Ricardo for sticking with the game, to Russ for retiring properly, to the standbys for filling in when needed and to those who dropped out without notice for allowing real Dip players the opportunity to play.

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PANTHER

Spring 1910

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- @ Autumn 1909 @ Russia - F Aeg ret CON; Germany - A Mun ret KIE.
- @ Winter 1909 @ England - Build A LON; Germany - Remove F Hol; Russia - Build A MOS & F SEV.
- @ Both proposals failed (E-G-I-R draw and concession to Russia).

ENGLAND - Ed Jacobs - F Bre-MID(F ENG S), A Pic-PAR, A Lon-BEL(F NTH C),  
F Nwy-SKA.

FRANCE - Marc Peters - A MUN S Russian F Pru-BER, A Bur-RUH.

ITALY - Kevin Tighe - F WES h, A VEN-Tri(F ADR S), F AEG-Gre(F ION S),  
F EAS-Aeg.

GERMANY - Bill Quinn - A Ber-LVN(F BAL C), A KIE-Den, A Tyo-PIE, A Mar-GAS.

RUSSIA - Jeff Sandelin - A Smy-SYR, F CON h, F Sev-BLA, A GRE h(A SER S),  
F TRI h(A BUD & A VIE S), A Boh-TYO, F Pru-BER,  
A SIL S F Pru-BER, A SWE-Den, A FIN-Swe, A STP-Fin,  
A MOS-Stop.

ED-MARC: If Russia wins, I should hold myself responsible??? If you werent in constant contact with Jeff the entire game I'll eat my hat. I notice, by the way, that you did accept Russian help into Munich. What's the price for that Mark? Going to aid Russia's attack on Berlin? Should I hold myself responsible for that too, you twit? Oh, you've gotten the title of my article wrong (as usual). The correct, complete title is: "How to play England like a consummate genius when France is played by a compleat asshole."

ITALY: Perhaps I spoke too hastily about that 4-way draw. Sigh.

ITALY-RUSSIA: Can France hold on a little longer? You've got to be kidding. That guy can survive a nuclear war.

ITALY-RUSSIA: Well heck, someone has to fight you.

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"Padres' Pennant"

Spring 1901

AUSTRIA - Kathy Byrne - F Tri-ALB, A Bud-SER, A VIE-Gal.  
ENGLAND - Peter Baker - F Edi-NTH, F Lon-ENG, A Lpl-WAL.  
FRANCE - Russell Wood - F Bre-MID, A PAR-Bur, A MAR-Bur.  
GERMANY - George Graessle - A Mun-RUH, F Kie-DEN, A Ber-KIE.  
ITALY - Marc Peters - A Ven-TRI, A Rom-VEN, F Nap-ION.  
RUSSIA - Ken Hager - F Stp(sc)-BOT, F SEV-Bla, A WAR-Gal, A Mos-UKR.  
TURKEY - Mark Harris - A Con-BUL, A Smy-CON, F ANK-Bla.

@ Russell Wood suggested I call this game Padres' Pennant. I thought it had a nice ring to it, so I decided to use it. By the way, I've already got my playoff and world series tickets ordered.

ITALY-BAGLADY: Well, how does it feel to be on the receiving end for once? Heh, heh! I hereby dedicate this stab to all of Kathy's post Austrian victims. Of course, this may not work, but it's still some kind of vindication for all those blood-soaked ex-targets of Kathy's.

VENICE-MUNICH: Yes, I know I said I wouldn't attack Austria. So I lied! Sorry to have been dishonest with you, but you insisted on trying to find out what I was doing. Ask me no questions, I'll tell you no lies.

AUSTRIA-ITALY: If you grabbed my dot, I'm going to kick your butt.

AUSTRIA-GERMANY: Okay George, I did it your way, now watch me get creamed!

AUSTRIA-RUSSIA: Didn't your mother ever teach you any manners? It is not nice to knock my blocks around.

AUSTRIA-ENGLAND: Mommy take your crayons?!

AUSTRIA-TURKEY: A little cooperation might save both our hides.

NAPLES-CONSTANTINOPLE: Well then, are you supposed to be the dark, strong, silent type? Not a very good strategy, even for a Turk. You should be very happy about my moves, so let's discuss them.

MRS METS-GM: Screw the Padres! Look at my Mets! Now that's incredible! Still #1.

GM-MRS METS: Let's take a look at those Mets. I see that they won seven straight games and then proceeded to lose seven straight. That's incredible. Right now they are  $\frac{1}{2}$  game behind the Cubs. The Padres on the other hand continue to win and are  $8\frac{1}{2}$  games ahead of the Braves.

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Spring 1901

AUSTRIA - John Ringhoffer - F TRI h, A Bud-SER, A VIE-Gal.  
ENGLAND - Rose Donaghue - F Edi-NTH, F LON-Eng, A Lpl-YOR.  
FRANCE - Jay Brumbaugh - F BRE-Eng, A Par-BUR, A Mar-SPA.  
GERMANY - Andy Clough - F Kie-DEN, A Ber-KIE, A Mun-RUH.  
ITALY - Ed Jacobs - A VEN-Tri, A ROM-Ven, F Nap-ION.  
RUSSIA - Bob Balinski - A Mos-UKR, A WAR-Gal, F Sev-RUM, F Stp(sc)-BOT,  
TURKEY - Charles Fargo - A Con-BUL, F Ank-CON, A SMY h.

@ I made a goof last issue - Rose's hometown is spelled Carteret.

ITALY: The Italian Government, concerned over the lack of intelligible communication from the Austro-Hungarian Empire, today dispatched a "mission of peace" to Trieste in an effort to find someone responsible with whom to converse. We will report further developments.

GERMANY-ITALY & RUSSIA: Seeing that the two of you refuse to write the Kaiser, I must assume the two of you have a gamelong alliance directed specifically against me! However, I resisted the temptation to move to Silisia & Tyrolia, hoping that the cause for your silence was laziness, lack of paper, no available stamps, or some other such measly explanation. I assume that by Summer 1901, you will both have managed to raise yourselves out of bed, cut enough trees to provide yourselves writing material, stclen some stamps from the mean lady next door, or have done whatever necessary to provide yourselves with the ability of sending a letter. If the two of you have Westaphobia (fear of Californians), please get over it before I am forced to move East or South (not Southeast, John).

GERMANY-FRANCE: Remember your hometown, Jay!

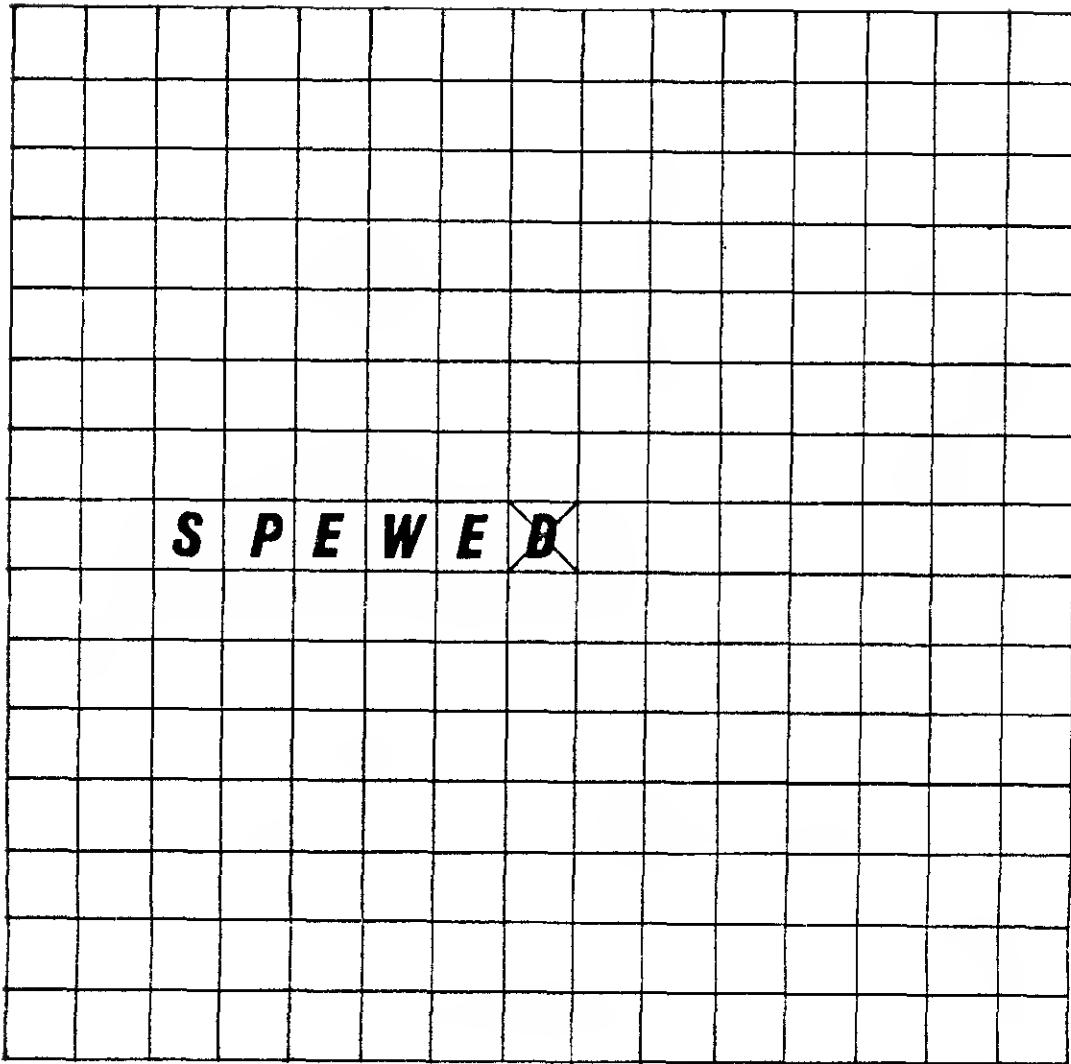
GERMANY-ALL: Let's make this game a good one folks! The winner gets 10 free issues!

GERMANY-GREGG: I hope you don't like Big Macs or Quarter Pounders in that San Diego town of yours.

GREGG-GERMANY: It's very hard to understand why things like that happen, but we have to keep in mind that God has a reason for everything and that everything works for the good.

AUSTRIA-GM: Phillies will beat Padres in playoffs, but good luck anyway.

GM-AUSTRIA: First the Phillies must make the playoffs!



Double letter  $\downarrow$       Double word  $\downarrow$   
 S<sub>1</sub> | P<sub>3</sub> | E<sub>1</sub> | W<sub>4</sub> | E<sub>1</sub> | D<sub>2</sub>  
 1 + 6 + 1 + 4 + 1 + 2 = 15  $\times$  2 = 30

Two people submitted the top scoring word SPEWED. Five people all together entered the tournament. Their words and points are as follows:

1. Karen Wood and Linda Quinn - SPEWED for 30 Points.
3. Charles Fargo - TWEEDS for 28 Points.
4. Ken Hager and Peter Baker - SWEPT & STEWED, both for 20 points.

The letters for the next turn are A-I-T-K-A-S-H. The letters are drawn from a standard set of Scrabble letters in exactly the same manner as a ftf game. I will also be using the Official Scrabble Players Dictionary to determine the eligibility of words.

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